

*Massasoit Community College
Forty-Seventh Commencement Exercises*

2014



*Friday Evening
The Thirtieth of May
Two Thousand and Fourteen*

“AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL”
Katherine Lee Bates, Samuel A. Ward

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties,
Above the fruited plain.

Chorus

America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears.

Chorus

America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

Order of Exercises

Prelude	The Massasoit Senior Orchestra, Dr. Paul K. Cappers, Director
*Processional	Bagpiper, Peter Reardon
Presiding	Dr. Barbara Finkelstein Senior Vice President and Vice President of Faculty & Instruction
*America the Beautiful	Professor Elizabeth Morrell, Humanities & Fine Arts
*Invocation	Reverend Richard Trudeau (ret.), Unitarian Universalist Church of Weymouth
Welcome	Dr. Charles Wall, President of the College
Greetings from the Board of Higher Education	Jennifer Perkins Director of the Office of Trustee Relations
Greetings from the Board of Trustees	Pamerson O. Ifill, Chair
President’s Address	Dr. Charles Wall
Faculty Address	Dr. Peter Meggison, Chairman CTIM Department
Awarding of Honorary Degrees	Dr. Charles Wall Dr. Jean MacCormack, Associate of Humanities Vincent J. Marturano, Associate of Humanities
Presidential Scholar Award	Dr. Charles Wall
Representing the Class of 2014	Heather Hilton
Charge to the College	Pamerson O. Ifill
Conferring of Degrees and Certificates	Dr. Charles Wall
Reading of the Graduates	Professor Roland Blanchette, Social Sciences
Closing	Dr. Barbara Finkelstein
*Benediction	Reverend Richard Trudeau (ret.)
*Recessional	Dr. Charles Wall

Guests are requested to remain at their seats during the
Recessional of the platform party, faculty, staff, and graduates.

Order of Procession

Student Senate	Dr. Maralyn Mason, Dean of Students, Grand Marshal
Graduates	Dean Douglas Brown, Math and Science Division Dean Carine Sauvignon, Emergent Technologies Division Marshals
College Faculty and Staff	Professor James Tressel President of the Academic Senate
The Platform Party	Dr. Barbara Finkelstein

**The audience is requested to stand.*

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The Massasoit Mission Statement

We at Massasoit Community College pride ourselves in our tradition of excellence and in our historic mission of accepting all who desire to learn. We are dedicated to creating a challenging and supportive environment where the members of our community can attain their educational and personal goals. We encourage all to take responsibility for their learning, to discover their potential, and to achieve their ambitions.

Recognizing that our diversity is an important source of our strength, we respond to the needs of our community and expect that everyone at Massasoit respects the rights and affirms the dignity of all people. We strive to construct a safe and trustful environment where together we can engage in open dialogue.

To achieve this mission we set forth the following goals:

1. We will offer a wide range of quality, affordable associate degree, certificate, and short-term training programs to prepare our students for employment and/or transfer to baccalaureate institutions and to promote the development of critical skills.
 2. We will continue our commitment to attracting, retaining, and supporting full and part-time faculty who are dedicated to teaching community college students critical skills.
 3. We will create a supportive environment that encourages self-knowledge, community involvement, and global awareness.
 4. We will assess and respond to the needs of our extended communities.
 5. We will exercise managerial and fiscal responsibility.
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The Academic Procession and Regalia

The academic procession is one of the oldest traditions of colleges throughout the world. In the medieval times, the ordinary dress of the university scholar, whether student or teacher, was the dress of the cleric including a long gown and, often in cold weather, a cloak with a hood which could be pulled up and over the head for cover and protection.

Although fashions have changed since the 16th century, scholars of the post medieval period have retained the academic attire. Eventually, the attire was prescribed by university statutes to distinguish the different faculties and degrees-of-learning. The associate, bachelor, master, and doctoral gowns differ stylistically in cut and decorative motif.

The colorful hoods, which indicate fields of learning and the institutions conferring the degree, were originally worn over the head, but during the 16th century caps were adopted and the hood was draped over the shoulder.

A long tassel, attached to the middle part of the top of the cap, drapes over the left edge of the mortar board. The tassel may be black, gold, or the color appropriate to the academic field or level of achievement.

An Intercollegiate Code has been adopted to represent the different departments of learning and has set forth the standards for academic dress in the United States. The hoods are lined with the official colors of the college from which the wearer received his or her highest degree, while the collar of the hood denotes the academic subject area in which the wearer majored. These colors are assigned according to the following scheme:

Agriculture	Maize	Medicine	Green
Arts, Letters and Humanities	White	Music	Pink
Business Administration	Drab	Nursing	Apricot
Dentistry	Lilac	Oratory	Silver Gray
Economics	Copper	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Education	Light Blue	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Engineering	Orange	Physical Education	Sage Green
Fine Arts	Brown	Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Forestry	Russett	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Home Economics	Maroon	Science	Gold-Yellow
Journalism	Crimson	Social Science	Citron
Law	Purple	Theology or Divinity	Scarlet
Library Science	Lemon	Veterinary Science	Gray

Notes:

ODE TO MASSASOIT

Long ago Chief Massasoit,
Here in this Old Colony,
Granted peace and trust to strangers,
Pilgrims from across the sea.

We salute you, Massasoit,
Proudly sharing in your name,
Faith, endurance, peace and knowledge,
Gifts of strength we now proclaim.

We will hold aloft our banner,
Massasoit's green and white,
Keeping firm our hope and courage,
Forging paths of human right.

With endurance, faith, for the future,
Pride where there once was none in sight,
We share learning with all people,
Peace and love our guiding light.

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